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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MICHEL GILBERT et al.

Application No.: 09/211,691

Filed: December 14, 1998

For: FUSION PROTEINS FOR USE IN
ENZYMATIC SYNTHESIS OF
OLIGOSACCHARIDES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 9572

Examiner: Rao, Manjunath

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1652

RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION OF
November 22, 2004

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed November 22, 2004, on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal was filed on October 29, 2004, making the next due date for response Saturday, January 29, 2005, and the actual due date Monday, January 31, 2005. A Petition for extension of time for one month; a Request for Continued Examination, and Appendices A and B are included herein. Appendix A is a Declaration of Dr. Michel Gilbert, and Appendix B is a CV of Dr. Michel Gilbert.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.